I Certify that this Public Bill, which originated in the Legislative Assembly, has finally passed the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 11 December, 1901. F. W. WEBB, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

New South Wales.



ANNO PRIMO

EDWARDI VII REGIS.

Act No. 74, 1901.

An Act to provide for the proper and sufficient accommodation of shearers. [Assented to, 28th December, 1901.]

DE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Preliminary.

1. This Act shall come into force on the first day of January, Commencement and one thousand nine hundred and two, and may be cited as the "Shearers' short title.

Accommodation Act, 1901."

2. This Act shall not apply to shearing-sheds where less than savings.

six shearers are employed.

3. In this Act, unless the context otherwise indicates,—
"district" means district notified in pursuance of this Act;
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I have examined this Bill, and find it to correspond in all respects with the Bill as finally passed by both Houses.

J. H. CANN, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

"employer" means master, manager, foreman, overseer, or other person owning or having control of a shearing-shed or engaged in superintending shearing at such shed;

"inspector" means inspector appointed in pursuance of this Act;
"shearer" means person employed in or about a shearing-shed in the shearing of sheep, or in work connected therewith; but does not include a person who is employed on the holding on which the shearing-shed is situate when the shearing is not in progress;

"shearing-shed" means shed or other building used in the shearing of sheep or any operation connected therewith.

Districts and inspectors.

Appointment of districts.

4. The Governor, by notification in the Gazette, may appoint districts for the purposes of this Act, and may vary or rescind any such notification and alter the boundaries of any districts.

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5. The Governor may appoint an inspector or inspectors (who may be members of the police force or inspectors under the Factories and Shops Act, 1896), in respect of the district or districts mentioned in such appointment.

Each inspector shall be furnished by the Minister with a certificate of his appointment to be produced by him in pursuance of

this Act.

Shearing-sheds and accommodation for shearers.

Sufficient accommodation in other buildings.

6. (1) Accommodation, proper and sufficient for the comfort and health of such shearers as are employed and require it shall be provided by the employer in buildings separate from the shearing-shed.

What is proper and sufficient accommodation.

(2) Accommodation in such buildings shall not be deemed proper or sufficient for the comfort and health of shearers if any of the following conditions be not fulfilled—

(a) all such buildings shall be separate from the shearing-shed, and shall be distant at least fifty yards from the shearing-shed: Provided that buildings erected prior to the commencement of this Act at a distance from the shearing-shed less than fifty yards but containing or which shall be altered so as to contain the accommodation hereinafter defined and recommended by the inspector and approved by the Minister shall be deemed to be proper and sufficient buildings within the meaning of this Act;

(b) where the shearers for whom sleeping accommodation is provided include persons of any Asiatic race, a separate building or separate buildings shall be provided for their

sleeping accommodation;

(c) not less than two hundred and forty cubic feet of air-space shall be allowed to each person sleeping in any such building;

(d) no room used for sleeping shall be used for the cooking or serving of meals and when meals are cooked and served in the same room, provision shall be made for cooking the meals at one end of the room and for serving them at the other; separate dining accommodation to be provided for all Asiatics employed:

(e) sufficient latrine accommodation shall be provided, situate not less than twenty-five yards from the buildings, and not less

than fifty yards from the water supply;

(f) a sufficient supply of good drinking water shall be provided; (g) each sleeping and dining room shall be supplied with

sufficient light and ventilation;

(h) each sleeping and eating compartment shall be provided with a floor of approved material;

(i) proper cooking and washing vessels shall be provided.

7. (1) Every building provided by an employer for the accom-Buildings, other modation of shearers, not being a shearing-shed, shall be kept clean by sheds, to be kept the shearers occupying the same during their occupation thereof; and clean by shearers. whenever, in the opinion of an inspector, any such building is not being kept clean by the shearers occupying the same, such inspector shall give to the employer a notice in writing to that effect, and such employer may thereupon have such building restored to a clean state, and thenceforward kept so from day to day.

(2) The shearers occupying any such building as aforesaid Shearers not to damage such shall not cause or suffer any damage to be done to such building, or to buildings. any property of an employer contained therein; and whenever, in the opinion of an inspector, any damage has been done to any such building or property by such shearers, such inspector shall give to the employer a certificate to that effect, and such employer may have such damage

repaired. (3) The employer may, in any such case as aforesaid, deduct Shearers to be responsible for the cost of any work necessary for either of the aforesaid purposes in cost of cleaning equal parts from the wages due, or accruing due, to such shearers, or and repairing. may recover such cost as a debt from such shearers jointly in any competent court, with reasonable costs of suit.

Inspection and regulation of accommodation.

8. An inspector shall, once in every twelve months, and every Inspection of inspector may whenever he thinks fit, inspect all buildings used for buildings. accommodating shearers situate within his district, and every inspector shall, not later than the thirty-first day of March in every year, make a full and detailed report to the Minister of his inspections.

An inspector making any such inspection shall, at the request of any employer produce the certificate of his appointment, and show it to the said employer.

Entry by inspector.

9. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, every inspector shall have the right of ingress and egress to and from every shearing-shed and other building used for accommodating shearers.

Notice to comply with Act.

10. Where an inspector, after making such inspection, has reason to believe that the requirements of this Act have not been complied with he shall so notify an employer, directing him within a time therein mentioned to comply with such requirements. He shall also in the notice specify in what respects he considers the said requirements have not been complied with.

The notice shall be in writing and may be served on the employer personally or by being left at his usual or last known place of residence.

Complaint to justice of failure to comply with Act.

11. (1) Where an inspector has ascertained that an employer served with such notice has neglected to comply with any of the requirements of this Act, such inspector may make complaint to a justice of the peace, and such justice shall thereupon issue a summons requiring the said employer to appear before a court of petty sessions.

Order on such complaint.

(2) The court may, if satisfied that any of the requirements of this Act have not been complied with, order the said employer to comply with such requirements, and, if thought desirable, may in the order specify what things shall be done by the employer, and the time within which the order shall be carried out, or may dismiss the complaint; and in any case the court may award costs to the inspector or the employer.

Penalty on failure to carry out order.

(3) If the said employer fails to carry out an order made as aforesaid, he shall, unless he satisfies the court that he has used all due diligence to carry out the order, be guilty of an offence against this Act and be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five pounds, and for every day during his default to a further penalty not exceeding one pound.

Supplemental.

Obstruction of inspector.

12. Any person obstructing an inspector in the exercise of his powers under this Act shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Notice of shearing.

13. An employer shall within three clear days of the day upon which shearing is started at his shearing-shed post or cause to be delivered to the inspector of the district at his official address a notice of such fact.

14. Any information for an offence against this Act or any Hearing of information complaint under this Act shall be heard and determined in a summary tions. way by a court of petty sessions held in the district in which the building referred to in the information or complaint is situate.

All penalties imposed in pursuance of this Act shall, when Penalties. recovered, be paid into the Treasury and carried to the Consolidated

Revenue Fund.

In the name and on the behalf of His Majesty I assent to this Act.

FREDK. M. DARLEY, Lieutenant-Governor.

State Government House, Sydney, 28th December, 1901.

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SHEARERS' ACCOMMODATION BILL.

SCHEDULE showing the Legislative Assembly's Amendment upon the Legislative Council's Amendments referred to in Message of 10th December, 1901.

F. W. WEBB, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 37. Omit "can be altered" insert "shall be altered so as"

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Note.—These references are to the Council's reprint of the Assembly Bill.

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SHEARERS' ACCOMMODATION BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments referred to in Message of 4th December, 1901.

Page 2, clause 3, line 6. After "therewith" insert "but does not include a person who is employed "on the holding on which the shearing-shed is situate when the shearing is not in "progress"

Page 2, clause 6. Omit clause 6.

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 27. After "employed" insert "and require it"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 28. Omit "other"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 28 After "buildings" insert "separate from the shearing-shed"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, lines 30 and 31. Omit "one or more" insert "any"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 33. Omit "one hundred" insert "fifty"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 34. Omit "Providing" insert "Provided"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, lines 35 and 36. Omit "within the required distance" insert "at a distance from "the shearing-shed less than fifty yards, but"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 37. After "containing" insert "or which can be altered to contain"

Page 2, clause 7. 6, line 38. Omit "provided for" insert "defined"

Page 3, clause 7. 6. Omit subsection (c).

Page 3, clause 7. 6, line 10. Omit "compartment" insert "building"

Page 3, clause 7. 6, line 12. Before "when" insert "no room used for sleeping shall be used for the "cooking or serving of meals and"

Page 3, clause 7. 6, line 18. Omit "one hundred" insert "twenty-five"

Page 3, clause 7. 6, lines 19 and 20. Omit "so as to exclude any probability of the pollution of any water "supply; or" insert "and not less than fifty yards from the water supply"

Page 3, clause 7. 6, line 23. Omit "or"

Page 3, clause 7. 6, line 25. Omit "ventilators and windows; or" insert "sufficient light and "ventilation"

Page 3, clause 7. 6, line 27. Omit "or"

Page 3. After clause 7. 6 insert new clause 7.

Page 4, clause 8, lines 8 and 9. Omit "shearing-sheds and all other"

Page 4, clause 11, line 29. Omit "reason to believe" insert "ascertained"

Page 5, clause 11, line 6. Omit "two pounds" insert "one pound"

Page 5, clause 14, line 18. Omit "shearing-shed or"

This Public Bill originated in the Legislative Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

F. W. WEBB. Sydney, 24 October, 1901. Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 4th December, 1901. JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

New South Wales.



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Act No.

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An Act to provide for the proper and sufficient accommodation of shearers.

E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

Preliminary.

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- 2. This Act shall not apply to shearing-sheds where less than savings. 10 six shearers are employed.

3. In this Act, unless the context otherwise indicates,— "district" means district notified in pursuance of this Act;

Definitions.

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"employer"

Note. -The words to be omitted are ruled through; those to be inserted are printed in black letter.

"employer" means master, manager, foreman, overseer, or other person owning or having control of a shearing-shed or engaged in superintending shearing at such shed;

"inspector" means inspector appointed in pursuance of this Act;
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but does not include a person who is employed on the holding on which the shearing-shed is situate when the shearing is not in progress;

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Districts and inspectors.

4. The Governor, by notification in the Gazette, may appoint Appointment of districts for the purposes of this Act, and may vary or rescind any such districts.

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5. The Governor may appoint an inspector or inspectors (who Appointment of may be members of the police force or inspectors under the Factories inspectors. and Shops Act, 1896), in respect of the district or districts mentioned in such appointment.

Each inspector shall be furnished by the Minister with a certificate of his appointment to be produced by him in pursuance of this Act.

Shearing-sheds and accommodation for shearers.

6. A shearing-shed shall be of dimensions suitable for the The-shearing shed. 25 carrying on of their work by the shearers.

7. 6. (1) Accommodation, proper and sufficient for the comfort and sufficient health of such shearers as are employed and require it shall be provided accommodation in other buildings. by the employer in other buildings separate from the shearing-shed.

(2) Accommodation in such buildings shall not be deemed What is proper and 30 proper or sufficient for the comfort and health of shearers if one-or sufficient accommodation.

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(a) all such buildings shall be separate from the shearing-shed, and shall be distant at least one-hundred fifty yards from the shearing-shed: Provided that buildings erected prior to the commencement of this Act within the required distance at a distance from the shearing-shed less than fifty yards but containing or which can be altered to contain the accommodation hereinafter provided for defined and recommended by the inspector and approved by the Minister shall be deemed to be proper and sufficient buildings within the meaning of this Act; (b)

(b) where the shearers for whom sleeping accommodation is provided include persons of any Asiatic race, a separate building or separate buildings shall be provided for their sleeping accommodation;

(c) all buildings used for sleeping shall be divided into compartments, each compartment to accommodate not more than

four-persons-;

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(dc) not less than two hundred and forty cubic feet of air-space shall be allowed to each person sleeping in any such

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and thenceforward kept so from day to day.

(2) The shearers occupying any such building as aforesaid Shearers not to shall not cause or suffer any damage to be done to such building, or to damage such any property of an employer contained therein; and whenever, in the buildings.

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9. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, Entry by inspector. every inspector shall have the right of ingress and egress to and from every shearing-shed and other building used for accommodating shearers.

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Supplemental.

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